

## CITY OF EUREKA COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

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## NOTICE OF EXCLUDED DEVELOPMENT

The project described below is located within the City of Eureka Categorical Exclusion area of the Coastal Zone. It has been determined that this project is excluded from the Coastal Development Permit requirements of the Coastal Act and the City of Eureka Local Coastal Program pursuant to City of Eureka Categorical Exclusion Order E-88-2 and Section 10-5.29304.1 (Section 156.098) of the City of Eureka Municipal Code.

**Project Title:** Humboldt County Social Services Department ADA Improvements

**Case No**: CX-13-0006

**Project Applicant**: Dennis DelBiaggio

Project Location: 929 Koster St. (APN 003-121-049)

**Zoning & General Plan:** Limited Industrial (ML) & Light Industrial (LI)

<u>Category of Excluded Development</u>: Per Eureka Municipal Code §10.5.29304.1(a), the construction, reconstruction, demolition, or alteration of the size, type or intensity of any development of a principally permitted use or uses in the areas of the Eureka Coastal Zone that are zoned for residential, commercial, or industrial development may be excluded, except for the following:

- (a) Public works facilities or improvements costing more than \$250,000.
- (b) The development involves demolition of a structure of architectural or historic significance.

**Project Description and Exclusion Justification**: The applicant is proposing ADA improvements along the western façade of the existing Humboldt County Social Services Department building, including: (1) restriping a portion of the existing parking lot; (2) replacing the existing northerly ADA ramp with a new ADA ramp and handrails; (3) replacing the existing southerly sidewalk with a new ADA ramp and handrails; and (4) removing and installing new ADA access/directional signs.

The proposed ramp improvements will require ground disturbing activities associated with the removal of the existing ADA ramp and sidewalk, installation of the new ramps, and the ADA pole signs. The maximum depth of excavation for these improvements will be approximately 16" below existing grade. These ground disturbing activities will occur on land already covered with concrete and asphalt and in the midst of existing buildings and streets.

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As indicated in the attached map, an ESHA area is located approximately 170' from the subject parcel and approximately 260' from the site of the proposed improvements. The ESHA is Clark Slough located immediately north of the Koster Street/Washington Street intersection, and is separated from the proposed improvements by an existing parking lot, building, and Washington Street.

The exclusion is justified because the proposed improvements will be made to an existing principally permitted use, will disturb fill rather than native soils, will be surrounded on all sides by urban development, and will not occur within 250 feet of an ESHA or wetland. Also, as requested by both the Blue Lake Rancheria and the Bear River Band of Rohnerville Rancheria, inadvertent discovery language will be included as a Condition of Approval for the project to ensure that impacts to any archaeological resources that are unearthed during construction are avoided.

**Required Permits:** Although no Coastal Development Permit is required for this project, the project is subject to the following authorizations or permits:

• B13-0331 (Building Permit)

Questions regarding this notice should be directed to the City of Eureka Community Development Department, Third Floor, Eureka City Hall, 531 K Street, Eureka, California, telephone (707) 441-4160.

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Date of Determination

